



Carole Jeanne Rice

March 22, 1939 - December 28, 2021

A loving wife and mother passed away on December 28, 2021, at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. After a serious fall and surgery, she never recovered to return to her home at The Fairfax Retirement Community in Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Carole was born on March 22, 1939, in East St. Louis, Illinois to Robert Valentine and Blanche McMahan. After marrying her husband, Paul Jackson “Jack” Rice in 1959, she devoted the next three years working as a legal stenographer putting her husband through law school. During her 28 years as an Army wife, she perfected working with ceramics and along with collecting cookbooks, she organized, typed and published cookbooks representing assignments at Fort Riley, Kansas, The JAG School in Charlottesville, Virginia, and The Army Officers’ Wives’ Club of the Greater Washington Area. Her amazing Christmas parties, where she prepared all the dishes, were known far and wide.

Carole is survived by her devoted and loving husband of 62 years, Jack; her daughters, Rebecca Ross of Prescott Valley, Arizona and Missy Hansen (Terry) of Middleburg, Florida; her son, Paul Jackson Rice, Jr. (Sandy) of Palmyra, Virginia; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and her brother, Will Shaw of St. Louis, Missouri. Carole was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Bobby Valentine (Sue) of St. Louis, Missouri.

A celebration of life will be held at The Fairfax at Belvoir Woods, 9140 Belvoir Woods Parkway, Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060 on Saturday, February 26, 2022 @ 11AM held in the auditorium, followed by a reception in the dining room.

interment at Arlington National Cemetery will be held on a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Carole's memory may be made to: Army Retirement Residence Foundation-Potomac.at <http://afrrsc.com/donate.html>

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

1 Memorial Drive
Arlington, VA 22211

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Fairfax at Belvoir Woods
9140 Belvoir Woods Pkwy
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060
(703) 799-1200

Graveside Service

FEB 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Arlington National Cemetery
1 Memorial Drive
Arlington, VA 22211

Tribute Wall



“ *Carole Jeanne Rice*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



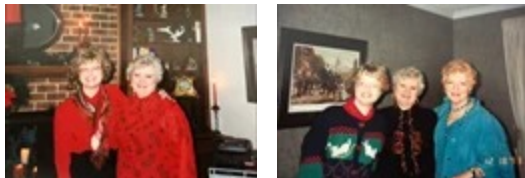
“ *Amazing memories of how she would organize and quarterback (sorry Jack) her Christmas parties at the house on Vervain Ct. She was always calm whether it was a flooded house or a blizzard during her party. Always so kind to our family. Truly a beautiful person in so many ways.*

Jim Vancini - January 28, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ *I have known Carole for over 35 years. We were wives in the JAG group for many years. What a terrific lady. Always smiling perfect host wonderful cook. She and Jack watched my children grow up. Her Christmas parties were the highlight of the season. We were able to arrive a little early just to help with the last minute preparations. That made me feel so special. Their Christmas decorations were the best in the neighborhood. I envied her collection of cook books and I contributed to her JAG cookbook with recipes. On the day I arrived in Germany with 2 young kids she and Jack warmly greeted me with a red rose at our "lovely" quarters. So many wonderful memories. She will be so missed.*

From: Christine Neurauter



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - January 06, 2022 at 11:15 AM